

IMPENDING STRIKE OF PLANING MILL WORKERS

It begins to look as though a bitter and prolonged warfare will be inaugurated in this city May 1 between organized capital on the one hand and union employes on the other, and it is said that it will be a war to the finish.

It has leaked out, as nearly all things do which are done behind closed doors, that the planing mill proprietors of the Pacific Northwest, including the states of Oregon and Washington, have formed a gigantic combine, the intention of which is to defeat the demands of the employes in this city who are asking for a nine-hour day at 10 hours pay.

The combine has been effected in a manner something like this: Each mill has entered into a solemn compact, the proprietors pledging themselves to use every effort which lies in their power to bring the strikers, if a strike is declared, to their terms and relying mainly upon their great combination of wealth to accomplish their purpose.

Contracts have been or will be signed by the millowners, backed up by individual surety bonds, pledging themselves to oppose the demands asked by the union, and any mill breaking faith with the combine will forfeit the amount to which it has affixed its signature.

With such a formidable combination, it is said that the millmen are confident of being able to bring their employes to time.

Representatives of the combine have stated to interested parties that if necessary they are prepared to shut down their mills for two years in order to win out. But they expect to win in a shorter time, believing that a majority of the employes will, through dire necessity, be willing to return to work at the old scale and same hours.

The millowners decline to give out any information for publication on the sub-

ject whatever, but they have not been so reticent with prospective purchasers of building material. They have refused to receive new orders from various people this week, stating that they fully expect a strike next Thursday, and that they are prepared for it, entering into many interesting details of their proposed move.

The clash, which seems inevitable, is deplored by almost everyone. The universal opinion is that it will check building operations to an enormous degree, which it will require months to recover. A business man who, for personal reasons, did not want his name used, said that he believed the proprietors should make concessions and thus avert all this trouble. "They are prosperous and have more work on their hands than they can do. They claim that they would not be able to do their work by granting the men a nine-hour day. Then, why don't they either put on two shifts or increase their force of men? They are perfectly able to stand it."

A. K. Bentley of the Adamant Company said: "I very much deplore the fact that labor and capital are contemplating or thinking of strife just at a time when we are all just beginning to 'catch our breath.' Surely, there must be some way which can or could be devised to arbitrate these troubles. If labor has a grievance, can not capital be drawn to see it without these expensive, long-drawn-out strikes? Arbitrate in advance, not after."

Another citizen said that action should be taken at once by anybody who might have influence with either the millmen or the union employes.

"The situation today is serious, and it is better to act before a strike than afterward."

LEFT OUT OFFER TO MEN DID NOT ENTHUSE

Portland is Discriminated Against.

(Journal Special Service.)

NEW YORK, April 26.—Developments in the railroad situation on the Pacific Coast continue to form a topic of interest and discussion here among financial and transportation magnates.

Mr. Harriman's present long trip of inspection and the already apparent results therefrom are scrutinized closely. It has, of course, been accepted as a certainty that the high power and influence of the Hill-Morgan syndicate will be steadily exerted to throw all immediate and auxiliary business to the benefit of Puget Sound, the Northern Pacific contributing its part principally to Teosma and the Great Northern making chiefly for Seattle and Everett.

Now, it is also positively declared that in a similar manner the great Harriman transcontinental lines are concentrating on the plan of directing the bulk of all their business to San Francisco as an outlet. It is known that, according to orders from Mr. Harriman, somewhere in the neighborhood of \$25,000,000 has been set aside for the purpose of building cut-offs and lowering grades on the lines between Cheyenne and Ogden, and between Ogden and San Francisco.

This is understood to mean the beginning of a systematic effort to ultimately cut down the running time between New York and San Francisco to about a four-day schedule.

It is reported also that Mr. Harriman has ordered the immediate extension of the Oregon Short Line from Salt Lake City to Los Angeles, there connecting with the Southern Pacific, giving the syndicate another direct line to Southern California.

The rumor is still in circulation that the consolidation of the Oregon Short Line and Oregon Railroad & Navigation Company will be accomplished soon, and that both systems will be operated as one, with headquarters at Salt Lake.

OFFER TO MEN DID NOT ENTHUSE

Street Car Company Makes Proposition to Employees.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)

SAN FRANCISCO, April 26.—The directors of the United Railroads are now closeted with the strikers' committee in discussion of peace terms. No result will be made public until these terms are fully agreed upon. It is expected that the strike will be declared off tonight.

LATER.

The company has offered the following concessions to its men:

A flat rate of 25 cents an hour, without bonuses, or 25¢ cents with bonuses.

Reinstatement of discharged union men.

An offer on the part of the company, when grievances arise, to receive a committee from the union, or one from its employes.

These concessions are to be submitted to the carmen this afternoon.

DID NOT ENTHUSE

Street Car Company Makes Proposition to Employees.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)

SALEM, April 26.—The reception that W. J. Furnish, the next Governor of Oregon "that won't be" as one of the bystanders put it, received when he arrived in Salem on last evening's train was not exactly what the perfervid eloquence of the stump orator would term a "wild outburst of enthusiasm." But very few people were at the train to welcome him—less than 20 in all—and of these more than half were men holding office in the different departments of the state government.

State Secretary Dunbar, State Superintendent Ackerman, Mr. Lee and Dr. J. N. Smith were there to extend the glad hand, but the whole tenor of the welcome was frosty in the extreme. After shaking the few hands that were presented, the candidate was driven to the Willamette Hotel, where during the evening he met a number of the adherents of his faction.

The Young Men's Republican Club also held a meeting to perfect organization during the evening, and after its conclusion adjourned to the hotel to swell the crowd that was there engaged in felicitating their candidate.

This morning Mr. Furnish paid a visit to the State Capitol to view the premises where he fondly hopes to reign supreme, and to extend the glad hand to those of them who it is hoped will cast a favorable ballot on June 2.

On his return from the Statehouse Mr. Furnish received further callers at his hotel, and at 2 o'clock left for a visit to the penitentiary and other of the state institutions. He will leave for Portland on the afternoon train at 4:30.

Although approached by members of the press during his visit to Salem, Mr. Furnish declined to make any expression of his views other than to say that he was satisfied with the outlook and believed he would be elected along with the other nominees of the party. It is not believed that his Salem visit has strengthened his cause materially in Marion, for the general impression seems to be that he is not one of those people to paraphrase the expression recently used by the Oregonian, with reference to the flat salaries proposition—"that the boys can warm up to."

TOOLEY DEAD

Nick Anderson to be Charged With Murder.

The ebbing away of the life of George L. Tooley at the Good Samaritan hospital at 6 o'clock this morning closed the first chapter in the Holbrook tragedy, and marks the opening of a far more serious one for Nick Anderson, who now faces a trial for manslaughter.

Deputy District Attorney Spencer said this morning that murder in the second degree would likely be the formal charge preferred against Anderson. The preliminary trial will be held in two or three days, when all the evidence needed can be secured.

THE BEEF TRUST

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)

CHICAGO, April 26.—With the arrival today of William A. Day, special assistant to Attorney-General Knox, work preliminary to an investigation of the alleged beef trust was begun.

Day and United States District Attorney Bethea went into conference immediately, and after two hours' talk it was announced that there would be no criminal prosecutions against members of the alleged trust.

If it is found that the packers have entered into an agreement to regulate and control prices in restraint of trade a remedy will be sought in an injunction restraining them from working as a unit.

The most damaging evidence is expected to come from the recent investigation of the Interstate Commerce Commission, which has found, it is said, that there is an agreement among the packers to secure rebates from railroads in which small concerns do not participate, compelling them to go out of business.

The petition for an injunction will not be filed for a week or 10 days.

TO HANG

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)

SAN FRANCISCO, April 26.—William Buckley was today sentenced to be hanged for the murder of William Rice last October. Rice was one of the striking teamsters who on the street one night he was struck in the back of the head, from which injury he died a few days later. Buckley was arrested and will be hanged for the crime.

FIERCE FIGHTING

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)

WASHINGTON, April 26.—The State Department has been notified by cable from Bogota, Colombia, that fierce fighting is going on near Guatavita, 45 miles from that city. It is reported that 15,000 troops are engaged. According to the government advice, the army of Uribe, revolutionists, has been twice defeated and is retreating, and the government forces continue to advance.

NOTABLE SICK.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)

NEW YORK, April 26.—Archbishop Corrigan passed a comfortable night and his condition continues to improve.

QUEEN IMPROVING.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)

HET LOO, Holland, April 26.—The Queen had a quiet night. Her temperature and general condition may be said to be more favorable than yesterday, yet this is not indicative that she is entirely out of danger.

NOT SOLD

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)

LIVERPOOL, April 26.—Managing Director Ismay of the White Star line, today emphatically denied that the line has been sold to J. P. Morgan & Co., or any other interest.

NEXT WEEK IN CONGRESS

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)

WASHINGTON, April 26.—There will be only four days session of the Senate next week, an agreement having been reached to adjourn over from Thursday to Monday.

This is for the purpose of allowing employes to do a little cleaning.

Debate on the Philippines civil bill will continue to occupy the attention of the Senate early afternoon for some time.

Conference reports on the oleomargarine and Chinese exclusion bills are also expected.

Investigation of the sugar trusts' interests in Cuba will be begun early in the week.

Tuesday the Philippines committee will resume its inquiry into the infliction of tortures on the Filipinos.

In the House the "Omnibus" public building bill will be granted the right of way, to be followed by the anti-anarchy bill.

THE CAUSE OF THE STRIKE

(Journal Special Service.)

OREGON CITY, April 26.—The woolen mill employes' union will hold a special meeting this afternoon, and it is understood that the management desires the presence of the hands at the mill Monday morning, for the purpose of settling up the amounts due them for labor. It is believed by some that a compromise will be effected in two or three days, although there is an expressed determination to hold out on both sides.

JURY DISAGREED

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)

SAN FRANCISCO, April 26.—The jury in the case of Walter N. Dimmick, accused of embezzling \$30,000 from the United States Mint, disagreed and was discharged this morning. Dimmick will be retried at the July term of court.

HIRSTLE SLATED

It is on the cards that Charles Hirstle may be recommended to the Citizens' managing committee by the Democratic City and County Committee to go upon the ticket for the Treasurership. That appears to be the present status of the conference that was held last night at the headquarters in the Chamber of Commerce.

Visitors have been numerous at the new quarters of the Citizens' campaign committee today, the first time they have been ready for callers. Chairman Murdoch and Secretary Gatens have been busily engaged during the day in answering inquiries and getting things in shape for the work of the campaign.

OFFICERS ELECTED

At this afternoon's session of the Federation of Women's Clubs, Mrs. C. B. Wade of Pendleton was re-elected president, and Mrs. G. R. Childs of Roseburg was chosen vice president.

UPWARD STILL.

Chicago Meats Further Advanced and Vegetables Out of Reason.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)

CHICAGO, April 26.—Pork and mutton showed another advance today, but beef is unchanged.

The special attention of the public has been directed to the advance in all kinds of meats, because prices of other necessities of life have been jumping at such a lively pace. Flour, beans, potatoes and all staple canned goods show an increase of from 15 to 50 per cent. Dealers say prices have never been so high since the Civil War.

FATALLY BURNED

G. H. Grees, living at Union avenue and East Everett street, was very seriously and probably fatally burned in a fire in his residence this morning at 3 o'clock. The injured man is at the Good Samaritan hospital, where he now lingers between life and death.

EXCLUSION

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)

WASHINGTON, April 26.—In the House today, Representative Hitt of Illinois reported that the conferees of the House and Senate were unable to agree as to the Senate amendments to the Chinese exclusion bill. The House asked for another conference to insist that the Senate conferees recede from their amendment placing a time limit on the expiration of the exclusion laws.

STREET BANNERS

F. B. Gibson, president of the Lewis and Clark Civic Improvement Association; T. McCusker, vice president, and George M. Hyland, a prominent worker, appeared before the street committee of the City Council at 2 o'clock this afternoon in the matter of stretching banners across the city streets.

A delegation of the traveling men was present to urge the committee to grant them permission to hang a banner across the street in front of their hall on the occasion of the national convention to be held in Portland soon.

There will likely be no objections to putting out a banner simply announcing the convention, but the street-beautifiers will make a vigorous fight against carrying the thing any further.

Harry Gurr, representing the Federated Trades Council, was also present, and was heartily in accord with the movement started by the Civic Improvement Association.

EUGENE MAN CHANGES BASE

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)

LAWRENCE, Kan., April 26.—Frank Strong, for a long time president of the University of Oregon, was today elected chancellor of the University of Kansas.

DEAD PIONEER.

(Journal Special Service.)

THE DALLAS, April 26.—W. J. Jeffers, a resident here for 23 years, died of cancer of the stomach last evening. He was a veteran of the Civil War.

BLOW AT THE MEAT TRUST

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)

WASHINGTON, April 26.—Representative Sims of Tennessee today introduced in the House a resolution for the repeal of the tariff duties on pork, mutton and veal.

DISMISSED

The case of Jennings vs. Quinan, on a charge of threatening to kill, was decided in Justice of Peace Kraemer's court this morning.

The parties have been in dispute over a piece of land on Barnes' Heights for some time and after two surveys neither could agree on their boundary lines. Things waxed so hot that the men made violent threats.

The court admonished the men for their behavior and dismissed the case.

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BAD OUTLOOK

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)

NEW YORK, April 26.—All signs this afternoon point to a great strike of anthracite coal miners. After a three hours' conference between representative miners and operators and the conciliation committee of the National Civic Federation, it was announced by Bishop Potter, a member of the conciliation com-

SICKLY DEMOCRATS

(Journal Special Service.)

SALEM, April 26.—Three Democratic nominees, W. R. McKay, of Champeog County Commissioner; Dr. Fitzgerald, of Gervais, Representative, and W. T. Rigdon, of Salem, Coroner, refuse to qualify. The Democratic Central Committee will fill their places today.

HE'S A CANDIDATE

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SALEM'S BIG RALLY WAGES RAISED

(Journal Special Service.)

SALEM, April 26.—Salem people are today collected in crowds in Marion square in this city listening to speeches in favor of direct nominations. It is said the meeting is largely in the interest of Governor Geer. Tremendous enthusiasm prevails.

(Scripps-McRae News Association.)

OAKLAND, April 26.—The Transit Company today voluntarily raised the wages of the street-car men from 21 cents an hour to 24. This affects 250 employes.

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